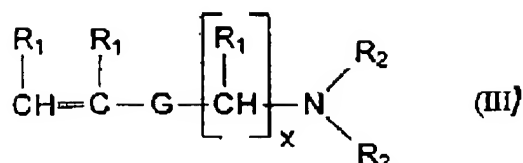


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In the Claims:

1. (currently amended) A closure for a bottle, the closure being dispersible in a aqueous medium, the closure comprising a first hydrophobic component and a second hydrophilic component, each component defining a seal enclosing a volume within the bottle and the first and second components abut against each other, wherein the dispersion of each component is activated by a different means.
- 2.(previously presented) A closure according to claim 1, wherein the first component of the closure is insoluble in water.
3. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 1 wherein the dispersion of the first component of the closure is triggered by an elevated temperature mechanism.
4. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 3, wherein the elevated temperature is between 30°C-90°C.
5. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 1, wherein the first component of the closure comprises a wax.
- 6.(cancelled)
7. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 1, wherein the dispersion of the second component of the closure is triggered by contact with an aqueous medium.
- 8.(canceled)
9. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 7 wherein the second component comprises a water soluble polymer.

10. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 9, wherein the water soluble polymer comprises a polymer selected from polyvinyl alcohol, polylactic acid, polyvinyl pyrrolidone or a mixture thereof.
11. (canceled)
12. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 7, wherein the second component of the closure has no or only a limited solubility at a pH-value above 10 and, at a pH-value below 9, has a solubility such that it becomes dissolved.
13. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 12, wherein the component comprises a pH-sensitive polymer incorporating a repeat unit having a basic function, separate from the backbone chain of the polymer.
14. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 13, wherein the repeat unit is based on a compound selected from the group consisting of vinyl alcohol derivatives, acrylates and alkyl acrylates having said basic function.
15. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 13, wherein the polymer is a carbohydrate functionalised with the basic function.
16. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 13, wherein the basic function is an amine.
17. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 16, in which the repeat unit is based on a compound of formula III:



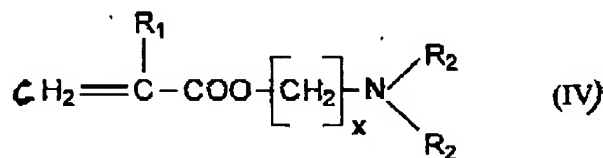
in which G is a linking group selected from -COO-, -OCO-, -CONH-, -NHCO-, -NHCONH-, -NHCOO-, -OCONH- or -OCCO-,

each R₁ is, independently, hydrogen or an alkyl group with 1 to 3 carbon atoms,

each R₂ is, independently, hydrogen or an alkyl group with 1 to 5 carbon atoms,

and x is an integer from 1 to 6.

- 18.(original) A closure according to claim 16, in which the repeat unit is based on a compound of formula IV:



in which R₁ is hydrogen or an alkyl group with 1 to 3 carbon atoms, each R₂ is, independently, hydrogen or alkyl group with 1 to 5 carbon atoms, and x is an integer from 1 to 6.

19. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 1, wherein the components of the closure are arranged in a two layer structure.

20. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 19, wherein the closure is disposed within or adjacent to a dispensing aperture of the bottle.

21. (cancelled)

22. (previously presented) A closure according to claim 19, wherein a first layer is disposed within or adjacent to a dispensing aperture of the bottle defining a first seal and a second layer is disposed across a lower portion of the bottle defining a second seal.

23.(canceled)

24. (previously presented) A bottle for use in a washing machine, the bottle comprising a two component closure dispersible in an aqueous medium, each component defining a seal enclosing a volume within the bottle, wherein the dispersion of each component is activated by a different means.

25. (previously presented) A bottle comprising a closure according to claim 1.

26. (previously presented) A bottle according to claim 25, wherein the components of the closure are arranged in a two layer structure.

27. (previously presented) A bottle according to claim 26, wherein the closure is disposed within or adjacent to a dispensing aperture of the bottle.

28. (canceled)

29. (previously presented) A bottle according to claim 26, wherein a first layer is disposed within or adjacent to a dispensing aperture of the bottle defining a first seal and a second layer is disposed across a lower portion of the bottle defining a second seal.

30. (previously presented) A bottle according to claim 25, wherein the bottle has two compartments with each compartment being sealed by a different component of the closure.

31.(original) A bottle according to claim 30, wherein the two compartments are formed by a division extending from adjacent a dispensing aperture of the bottle to the base of the bottle.

32.(canceled)

33. (previously presented) A bottle according to claim 25 containing a detergent composition, wherein a portion of the composition is sealed by a first component of the closure and a second ~~portion~~ portion is sealed by a second ~~portion~~ component of the closure.

34. (previously presented) A bottle according to claim 33, wherein the detergent composition is a machine dishwashing detergent composition.

35.(canceled)

36. (previously presented) A bottle according to claim 25, wherein the bottle comprises an additional sealing means.

37. (canceled)